GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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ASSESSMENT OF EXPENDITURE ON ROAD CONSTRUCTION
NAWAL KISHORE RAI;RAMJI LAL SUMAN

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have made any assessment in regard to the expenditure to be incurred on road construction;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the estimated amount spent on the construction of per kilometre of two lane, four lane and six lane roads;

(c) whether the said expenditure differs from State to State in different circumstances; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (MAJOR GENERAL (B.C.KHANDURI, AVSM)

(a) Government have assessed that an investment of Rs.1,65,000 crore is required to be made in a phased manner for removal of deficiencies and upgradation of existing National Highways, including Rs. 54,000 crore for National Highways Development Project(NHDP).

(b) Construction cost would depend on various factors like terrain traffic, type of soil, extent of culverts/bridges specifications etc. Approximate cost per km for 2-lane, 4-lane and 6-lane road may be Rs. 1.25 crore, 4 crore and 5.5 crore respectively.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) As indicated in part (b).